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October 20, 2004

VIA EXPRESS MAIL

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COUNSEL
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**Re: Complaint against Alaska Democratic Party (ADP), Joelle Hall, Treasurer
Our File No. 4079.18035**

Dear Sir:

This is a formal complaint to the Federal Election Commission (FEC) concerning the above-named entity. This complaint will demonstrate that the Alaska Democratic Party ("ADP") continues to violate the federal election laws by engaging in federal election activity without proper disclaimers.

Attached is a copy of a letter I received from the Alaska Democratic Party on October 19, 2004. I received this letter because I applied for an Alaska absentee ballot to vote in the General Election to be held on November 2, 2004. This is the complete mail piece. I have copies of the same mailer sent to other individuals.

Under the Commission's Regulations at 11 CFR 100.24(b)(2) these mailers are federal election activity since they refer to a clearly identified federal candidate (the letter uses the name Murkowski and refers to "appointing his daughter to the United States Senate" and refers to the campaign for the "U.S. Senate".) These communications are "public communications" under 11 CFR 100.26 since they are mass mailings. These communications are not exempt as volunteer activity since they bear no evidence of volunteer participation in the mailing or distribution.

Under 11 CFR 110.11(a)(1) all public communications for which a political committee makes a disbursement must contain a disclaimer. The form of a disclaimer is spelled out in that regulation. This document contains no disclaimer. It therefore is not in compliance with the law.

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This is the latest in a series of clear violations of the Federal Election Campaign Act by the Alaska Democratic Party. Please immediately investigate this matter and force the party to comply with the law.

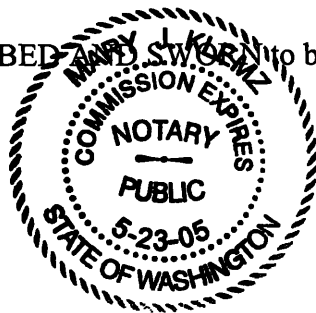
If you have any further questions or desire further evidence of this illegal conduct please let me know

Sincerely,



Timothy A. McKeever

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SUBSCRIBED MARY J. KIENZ to before me this 20th day of October,
2004.



Mary J. Kienz
Notary Public in and for
the state of Washington

Notary's Printed Name: MARY J. KIENZ
My Commission Expires: 5-23-05

TAM:mjk
Enclosure

cc: Alaska Democratic Party – *via facsimile and U.S. Mail*
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October 13, 2004

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Dear Timothy,

You may have recently received a letter about your absentee ballot from state Republican Party leader Randy Ruedrich. **This letter contains misleading and outright false statements.** You deserve to know the truth.

Your ballots are delayed this year because **the Murkowski administration tried to put false and misleading statements in the ballots and got caught.**

But don't take our word for it. Listen to what the Superior Court Judge Morgan Christen said about the ballot the Murkowski administration tried to send you:

"The ballot title drafted by the Lieutenant Governor is **misleading, factually inaccurate and lacks the impartiality required by law.**" In addition, she said the ballot summary, which is supposed to be fair and impartial, constituted "impermissible advocacy" and was "fatally defective."

Because they got caught trying to mislead you, the Murkowski administration was forced to reprint the ballots, **costing all Alaskans over a quarter of a million dollars and causing the delay you are now experiencing.**

Democratic candidates in this election have **fought for your right to vote on who represents you in the US Senate, for open caucus, for open primary ballots, and for lowering the influence of special interests.**

The Murkowski administration has been a **two-year string of embarrassments** like taking the longevity bonus away from Alaska seniors, flip-flopping on taxes, **appointing his daughter to the US Senate and party cronies to high-paying state jobs**, and trying to buy an executive jet with homeland security money, among others.

If you get any more mail from Randy Ruedrich, keep in mind he has **already admitted to misuse of official position** by engaging in partisan political activity in his \$118,000 state job

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given him by Gov. Murkowski as a political favor.

Please call (907) 258-3050 if you have any questions on these issues or how to preserve your right to vote by absentee mail.

The Alaska Democratic Party – **supporting your right to a fair and impartial ballot.**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott A. Sterling". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized "S" at the beginning.

Scott A. Sterling
Chair

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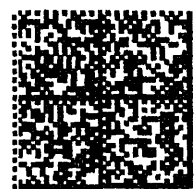


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